



DEPARTMENT OF THE TREASURY

Office of Foreign Assets Control

Notice of OFAC Sanctions Action

AGENCY: Office of Foreign Assets Control, Treasury.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of the Treasury's Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC) is publishing the names of one or more persons that have been placed on OFAC's Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons List (SDN List) based on OFAC's determination that one or more applicable legal criteria were satisfied. All property and interests in property subject to U.S. jurisdiction of these persons are blocked, and U.S. persons are generally prohibited from engaging in transactions with them.

DATES: See Supplementary Information section for effective date.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: OFAC: Andrea Gacki, Director, tel.: 202-622-2490; Associate Director for Global Targeting, tel.: 202-622-2420; Assistant Director for Licensing, tel.: 202-622-2480; Assistant Director for Regulatory Affairs, tel.: 202-622-4855; or the Assistant Director for Sanctions Compliance & Evaluation, tel.: 202-622-2490.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Electronic Availability

The Specially Designated Nationals and Blocked Persons List and additional information concerning OFAC sanctions programs are available on OFAC's website (<https://www.treasury.gov/ofac>).

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On January 24, 2023, OFAC determined that the property and interests in property subject to U.S. jurisdiction of the following persons are blocked under the relevant sanctions authorities listed below.

Individuals

1. MOUKALLED, Hassan Ahmed (Arabic: حسن احمد مقلد) (a.k.a. MAKLED, Hasan Ahmed; a.k.a. MOKALED, Hassan; a.k.a. MUQALAD, Hassan; a.k.a. MUQALLAD, Hasan), Jarjo, Nabatiyeh, Lebanon; DOB 17 Feb 1967; nationality Lebanon; Additional Sanctions Information - Subject to Secondary Sanctions Pursuant to the Hizballah Financial Sanctions Regulations; Gender Male; Secondary sanctions risk: section 1(b) of Executive Order 13224, as amended by Executive Order 13886 (individual) [SDGT] (Linked To: HIZBALLAH).

Designated pursuant to section 1(a)(iii)(C) of Executive Order 13224 of September 23, 2001, "Blocking Property and Prohibiting Transactions With Persons Who Commit, Threaten to Commit, or Support Terrorism," 66 FR 49079, as amended by Executive Order 13886 of September 9, 2019, "Modernizing Sanctions To Combat Terrorism," 84 FR 48041 (E.O. 13224, as amended), for having materially assisted, sponsored, or provided financial, material, or technological support for, or goods or services to or in support of, HIZBALLAH, a person whose property and interests in property are blocked pursuant to E.O. 13224.

2. MOUKALLED, Rani Hassan (Arabic: راني حسن مقلد) (a.k.a. MUQALLAD, Rani Hasan), Jarjo, Nabatiyeh, Lebanon; DOB 29 Oct 1998; nationality Lebanon; Additional Sanctions Information - Subject to Secondary Sanctions Pursuant to the Hizballah Financial Sanctions Regulations; Gender Male; Secondary sanctions risk: section 1(b) of Executive Order 13224, as amended by Executive Order 13886 (individual) [SDGT] (Linked To: CTEX EXCHANGE).

Designated pursuant to section 1(a)(iii)(A) of E.O. 13224, as amended, for being owned, controlled, or directed by, or to have acted or purported to act for or on behalf of, directly or indirectly, CTEX EXCHANGE, a person whose property and interests in property are blocked pursuant to E.O. 13224, as amended.

3. MOUKALLED, Rayyan Hassan (Arabic: ريان حسن مقلد) (a.k.a. MAKLED, Ryan Hassan; a.k.a. MOUKALLED, Rayan; a.k.a. MUQALLAD, Rayyan), Jarjo, Nabatiyeh, Lebanon; DOB 25 Oct 1993; nationality Lebanon; Additional Sanctions Information - Subject to Secondary Sanctions Pursuant to the Hizballah Financial Sanctions Regulations; Gender Male; Secondary sanctions risk: section 1(b) of Executive Order 13224, as amended by Executive Order 13886 (individual) [SDGT] (Linked To: MOUKALLED, Hassan Ahmed).

Designated pursuant to section 1(a)(iii)(C) of E.O. 13224, as amended, for having materially assisted, sponsored, or provided financial, material, or technological support for, or goods or services to or in support of, HASSAN AHMED MOUKALLED, a person whose property and interests in property are blocked pursuant to E.O. 13224, as amended.

Entities

1. CTEX EXCHANGE (a.k.a. CTEX COMPANY FOR EXCHANGE S.A.L.; a.k.a. "CURRENCY TRANSFER EXCHANGE"), Ahmad Chawki Street, Beirut, Lebanon; Website www.ctexlb.com; Additional Sanctions Information - Subject to Secondary Sanctions Pursuant to the Hizballah Financial Sanctions Regulations; Secondary sanctions risk: section 1(b) of Executive Order 13224, as amended by Executive Order 13886; Registration Number 2061281 (Lebanon) [SDGT] (Linked To: MOUKALLED, Hassan Ahmed).

Designated pursuant to section 1(a)(iii)(A) of E.O. 13224, as amended, for being owned, controlled, or directed by, directly or indirectly, HASSAN AHMED MOUKALLED, a person whose property and interests in property are blocked pursuant to E.O. 13224, as amended.

2. LEBANESE COMPANY FOR INFORMATION AND STUDIES SARL (Arabic: الشركة اللبنانية للاعلام والدراسات) (a.k.a. LEBANESE COMPANY FOR MEDIA AND STUDIES LLC; a.k.a. "LCIS"), Taysir Shararah Building, Floor 3, Jinah, Lebanon; Sheikh Building, 5th floor, Nazlat al Sarola, Mneimneh Street, Al Hamra, Beirut, Lebanon; Snoubra Building, 6th Floor, Sami el Solh Street, Badaro, Beirut, Lebanon; Website <http://lcis.media>; alt. Website www.imarwaiktissad.com; alt. Website www.greenarea.me; alt. Website www.russia-now.com; Additional Sanctions Information - Subject to Secondary Sanctions Pursuant to the Hizballah Financial Sanctions Regulations; Secondary sanctions risk: section 1(b) of Executive Order 13224, as amended by Executive Order 13886; Registration Number 1004003 (Lebanon) issued 03 Aug 2005 [SDGT] (Linked To: MOUKALLED, Hassan Ahmed).

Designated pursuant to section 1(a)(iii)(A) of E.O. 13224, as amended, for being owned, controlled, or directed by, directly or indirectly, HASSAN AHMED MOUKALLED, a person whose property and interests in property are blocked pursuant to E.O. 13224, as amended.

3. LEBANESE COMPANY FOR PUBLISHING, MEDIA, AND RESEARCH (Arabic: الشركة اللبنانية للنشر والاعلام والابحاث ش.م.م) (a.k.a. LEBANESE COMPANY FOR PUBLICATION AND RESEARCH), Sheikh Building, 5th Floor, Mneimneh Street, Al Hamra, Beirut, Lebanon; Snoubra Building, 6th floor, Sami El Solh Street, Badaro, Beirut, Lebanon; Additional Sanctions Information - Subject to Secondary Sanctions Pursuant to the Hizballah Financial Sanctions Regulations; Secondary sanctions risk: section 1(b) of Executive Order 13224, as amended by Executive Order 13886; Registration Number 1005025 (Lebanon) issued 17 Nov 2005 [SDGT] (Linked To: MOUKALLED, Hassan Ahmed).

Designated pursuant to section 1(a)(iii)(A) of E.O. 13224, as amended, for being owned, controlled, or directed by, directly or indirectly, HASSAN AHMED MOUKALLED, a person whose property and interests in property are blocked pursuant to E.O. 13224, as amended.

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